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September 17, 2009

Marathon Partners, LLC  
c/o Mr. Matthew King  
113 Seaboard Lane  
Suite A-250  
Franklin, TN 37067

RE: Marathon Partners, LLC

Dear Mr. King:

Thank you for submitting your TNInvestco Part 1 application on September 9, 2009. The Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (ECD) and the Department of Revenue have reviewed the documents and certify Marathon Partners, LLC as meeting the established criteria to be considered a TNInvestco.

Marathon Partners, LLC has also satisfied the requirements of Section 5 of Public Chapter 610 of the Tennessee Small Business Investment Company Credit Act by submitting to ECD the following:

1. Part 1 application filed with ECD
2. Nonrefundable application fee of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) at the time of filing the application.
3. Audited balance sheet containing the unqualified opinion of an independent certified public accountant issued not more than sixty (60) days before the application date stating that the applicant has an equity capitalization of five hundred thousand (\$500,000) or more in the form of unencumbered cash, marketable securities or other liquid assets.

Please note that a completed Part 2 of the TNInvestco application must be turned in to ECD no later than the close of business on October 1, 2009. For further requests related to the TNInvestco Program, please contact my Executive Assistant Caleb Hemmer at 615-532-5821 or email [caleb.hemmer@tn.gov](mailto:caleb.hemmer@tn.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Matthew K.L.", is written over a horizontal line.

Matthew Kisber

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